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Coordinated implementation of the Habitat Agenda

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling Economic and Social Council resolution 2002/38 of 26 July 2002 and General Assembly resolutions 3327 (XXIX) of 16 December 1974, 32/162 of 19 December 1977 and 56/206 of 26 December 2001,

Recalling also the Istanbul Declaration on Human Settlements,[1] the Habitat Agenda[2] and the Declaration on Cities and Other Human Settlements in the New Millennium,[3]

Recalling further the goal contained in the United Nations Millennium Declaration[4] of achieving a significant improvement in the lives of at least 100 million slum dwellers by 2020, and the relevant decisions contained in the Johannesburg Declaration on Sustainable Development[5] and the Johannesburg Plan of Implementation of the World Summit on Sustainable Development,[6] on access to clean water, sanitation and adequate shelter,

Reaffirming the importance of means of implementation for achieving the goal contained in the Millennium Declaration on adequate shelter, and recalling in this

* On behalf of the States Members of the United Nations that are members of the Group of 77 and China.

[1] *Report of the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II), Istanbul, 3-14 June 1996* (United Nations publications, Sales No. E.97.IV.6), chap. I, resolution 1, annex II.

[2] Ibid., annex I.

[3] See General Assembly resolution S-25/2, annex.

[4] General Assembly resolution 55/2.

[5] *Report of the World Summit on Sustainable Development, Johannesburg, South Africa, 26 August-4 September 2002* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.03.II.A.1 and corrigendum), chap. I, resolution 1, annex.

[6] Ibid., resolution 2, annex.

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context the commitments made regarding the financial resources at the International Conference for Financing for Development,[7]

Welcoming the progress made in the revitalization of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat) and the United Nations Human Settlements Foundation,

Expressing concern at the limited amount of non-earmarked contributions to the UN-Habitat and the United Nations Human Settlements Foundation,

Recognizing the urgent need for increased financial contributions in a predictable manner to the UN-Habitat and the United Nations Human Settlements Foundation to ensure timely and effective implementation of the Habitat Agenda, the Declaration on Cities and Other Human Settlements in the New Millennium and the relevant Millennium Development Goal, particularly in developing countries,

Taking note of efforts by UN-Habitat to implement the Habitat Agenda and the Declaration on Cities and Other Human Settlements in the New Millennium,

Taking note also of the report of the Secretary-General on the coordinated implementation of the Habitat Agenda,

1. *Underlines* the commitments made by Governments to implement the Habitat Agenda,[2] the Declaration on Cities and Other Human Settlements in the New Millennium,[3] and the Millennium Development Goal of achieving a significant improvement in the lives of at least 100 million slum dwellers by 2020;

2. *Encourages* Governments that are in a position to do so and their Habitat Agenda partners to increase their financial contributions to the United Nations Habitat and Human Settlements Foundation to enable UN-Habitat to plan its activities in a predictable manner, with contributions preferably being made on the basis of multi-year non-earmarked pledges;

3. *Welcomes* decision 19/18 of 9 May 2003 of the Governing Council of UN-Habitat, which endorsed the establishment of the Special Human Settlements Programme for the Palestinian people and the Technical Cooperation Trust Fund of 5 million United States dollars for an initial period of two years, and urges the international donor community and all financial institutions to support UN-Habitat in the immediate mobilization of financial resources for the establishment and operation of the programme and the fund;

4. *Invites* Governments to facilitate furthering of partnerships at the national and local levels, as appropriate, with civil society organizations, local authorities, women's groups, the business sector and other Habitat Agenda partners in implementing the Habitat Agenda and the relevant targets of the Millennium Declaration;

5. *Encourages* Governments to support and enable the participation of youth in the implementation of the Habitat Agenda, through social, cultural and economic activities at the city level and in other national and local activities;

6. *Encourages also* UN-Habitat to continue to implement the Habitat Agenda and the Declaration on Cities and other Human Settlements in the New

[7] See *Report of the International Conference on Financing for Development, Monterrey, Mexico, 18-22 March 2002* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.102.II.A.7).

Millennium, including through promoting partnerships with local authorities, non-governmental organizations, the private sector and other Habitat Agenda partners;

7. *Requests* the Executive Director of UN-Habitat to strengthen the implementation of the Habitat Agenda Task Manager System to allow better monitoring and mutual enforcement of action in the implementation of the Habitat Agenda;

8. *Notes* the increasing cooperation between UN-Habitat and other members of the United Nations Development Group, including through other coordination mechanisms, and calls upon Governments to include issues pertaining to shelter and sustainable human settlements and urban poverty in their national development strategies, including through the use of the common country assessment and the United Nations Development Assistance Framework;

9. *Requests* the Secretary-General to submit a report to the Council at its substantive session of 2004 on the implementation of the present resolution.